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a cylindrically shaped container including an upper portion,

a wire member including

first and second ends attached to the upper portion of the container,

a central section intermediate the first and second ends,

a gripping member mounted on the central section of the wire member, the method including the steps of

(a) removing the gripping member; [+]

- providing a replacement unit for the gripping member, the replacement unit including a plurality of pieces shaped and dimensioned to interfit with one another and circumscribe the central section of the wire member;
 - (c) mounting the replacement unit on the central section of the wire member by interfitting said plurality of pieces.
- 15 2. In combination with a bucket, the bucket including a cylindrically shaped container including an upper portion, a wire member including

first and second ends attached to the upper portion of the container, a central section intermediate the first and second ends,

the improvements comprising means for grasping the wire member and including a plurality of pieces shaped and dimensioned to interfit around the central section of the wire member.